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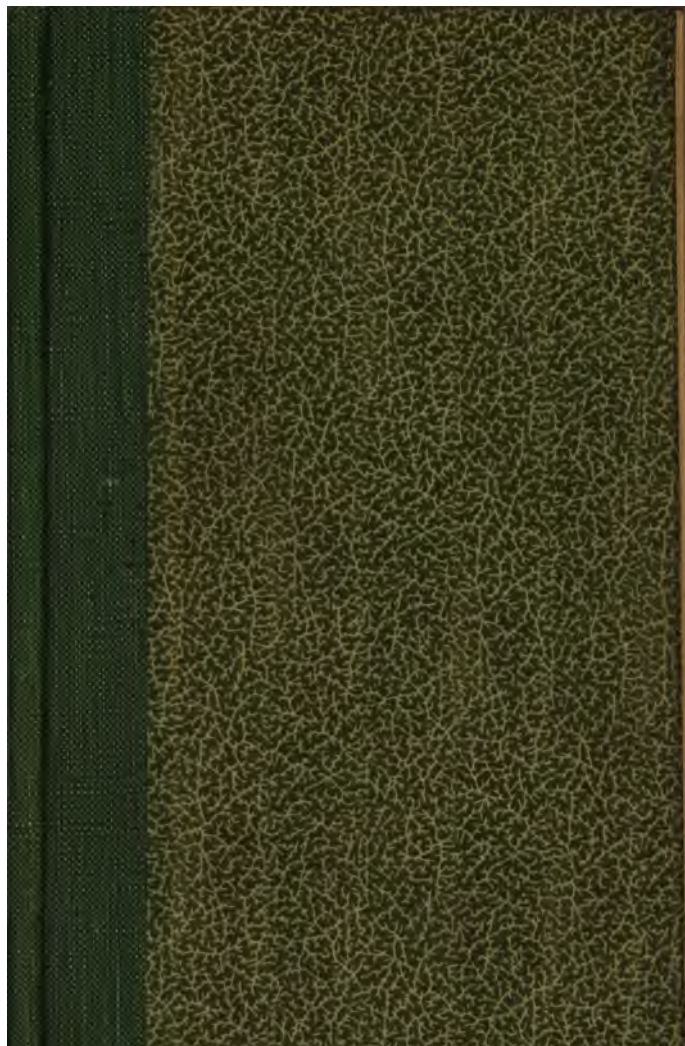
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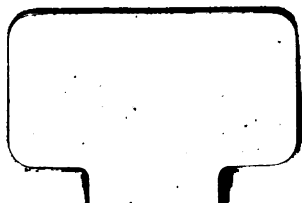
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PRAYER

FOR

The Oxford Mission to Calcutta.

ANTIPHON. The LORD gave the word;
great was the company of the preachers.

V. Not by might, nor by power.

B. But by My SPIRIT, saith the LORD
of Hosts.

Let us pray.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, the Eternal
WORD and SON of the FATHER, the King
and Saviour of all mankind; we humbly
entreat Thy blessing and guidance for the
Oxford Mission to Calcutta. Be present,
in all Thy might and grace, with those
who are called to labour therein for Thee:
fill them abundantly with the spirit of
power and of love and of a sound mind,
with loyalty to Thy truth and devotion to
Thy service; and grant that, through
their ministry, many now afar off may
be won over to the faith and fellowship
of Thy Church, and sanctified by a living
union with Thee, Who art the Life and
the Light of souls that believe in Thee,
and Who with the FATHER and the HOLY
GHOST livest and reignest, ever One GOD,
world without end. Amen.

J. F. Hayes

On the 1st day of

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PREFACE

TO

THE THIRD EDITION.

IN issuing a Third Edition of these Prayers the Compilers think it right to say that the success, which they have recently met with, is mainly due to the recommendation of them by a clerical friend, who does not wish his name to be mentioned, but whose zeal in behalf of the Missions of the Church is a great example to all who know him.

The present Edition differs from the last only in the addition of particular Prayers for the Conversion of the Jews, and for that of the Mohammedans; there is also another Prayer, the topics of which were suggested by a letter of an excellent Missionary now taken to his rest.

The continued and in some countries the increased hostility of Mohammedans to the

faith of the Gospel, is a solemn call upon the Church for more fervent intercession in their behalf; no less urgent surely is the duty to remember in our prayers the ancient people of God.

Great is the need of the most gifted intellect and the ripest learning for the trying work of the Missionary. May the good Spirit of God raise up in the Colleges of our Universities, in richer measure, men who are willing in simple faith to devote their talents to this holy cause.

EDWARD MEYRICK GOULBURN,
Late Fellow and Senior Tutor of Merton.

EDWARD C. WOOLLCOMBE,
Fellow and late Senior Tutor of Balliol.

OXFORD,
Nov. 16, 1870.

PREFACE

TO

THE SECOND EDITION.

A FEW words may not be out of place to explain the circumstances under which this little Manual of Prayers in behalf of Missions and Missionaries was originally compiled, and is now republished.

As long ago as the year 1842, two Friends, Members of the same College in Oxford, felt the want of some Prayers for this purpose, when, in common with a few others specially interested in the same work, they had agreed to meet occasionally for mutual instruction in the past and present history of the Missions of the Church, and with the hope of encouraging one another, under the blessing of God, in the work of Christian intercession.

However unequal they well knew themselves to be to the composition of such a

Manual of Devotion, they were deeply persuaded that the one perfect treasure house of all supplication is the Blessed Word of God, and the best standard of Christian feeling, and the deepest expression of holy earnestness, that which has been preserved to us in the chaste and reverent language of the English Prayer Book.

They submitted the result of their efforts to the late Bishop of London, and it is due to his revered memory to mention, that in the midst of all his unceasing labours, he most kindly revised their Prayers page by page, and gave them the help of his patient and thoughtful criticism.

In the long interval which has since elapsed, there has been in several quarters a demand for a fresh Edition; and one of the original compilers now puts forth these Prayers afresh, in sincere consciousness of much imperfection still remaining in them, but with a deepened conviction, he trusts, of the solemn duty of us all, individuals and families, Clergy and Laity, grown up men and women and children, rich and poor, to

offer up daily, and many times a day, that full and precious Prayer, "Hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come."

In the present form of the Manual there are many additions, the results in a few cases of the kind suggestions of some friends who have been in the habit of using the Prayers, in others occasioned by the strong convictions of the writer, after some thought for many years upon the subject of Christian Missions.

In arranging the first series of Sentences, he has tried to suggest by a few instances, to those who may use his book, the great importance of the *combined use* of different portions of Holy Scripture bearing on this subject; and in selecting those from the Psalms, he has wished to point out (though he fears he has done this still more imperfectly) the duty of submitting our minds to the *whole* teaching of a Great Book of Divine Revelation, so that we may try to see the work of the Missionary and the preaching of the Gospel in the breadth and depth of God's most gracious Will, and in

the many lights of His rich Mercies, not narrowed and dwarfed by our own weak faith, or discoloured by our own prejudices.

As to the Litany and Prayers, he has been most anxious in revising and enlarging them to keep as strictly as he has been able not only to the words, but to the spirit and rule of Holy Scripture; and he has desired earnestly to invite the attention of his brethren to our Blessed Master's most solemn intercession, the night before He suffered, for the unity of those who should believe on Him, *that the world might believe that the Father had sent Him.*

Can we have a Christian hope for the real extension of Christ's kingdom and the conversion of the heathen, for the humbling of the proud heart of the Mussulman, and the gathering in into the fold once more of God's ancient people, while so many professing Christians amongst us still forget the lowliness, and long-suffering, and loving forbearance, with which the Apostle teaches us, to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, and so many more amidst the

miserable divisions of Christendom and the strife of tongues seem only to glory in our shame.

In the earnest belief that we need to enter afresh upon the holy work of Christian Missions in a spirit of deeper humility, and more abounding charity, with minds invigorated with a far more thorough and reverent study of Sacred Scripture, and hearts devoted singly to God's Eternal Glory, and the help of a suffering world, the Writer has added to his own imperfect selections from the Book of Revelation, some few Meditations of the great Saints of our Mother Church of England in the days of her trial and her glory. May the learning and devotion of Andrews, the primitive simplicity and righteous zeal of Wilson, the loving fervour of Taylor, kindle in us, under God, a holy resolution to rise to a nobler manhood in Christ, and a more loyal service to His truth. As the heirs of their work, and when praying their prayers, may we feel more deeply how great a blessing it is to be permitted to labour, hand and head

and heart, for the Name of JESUS, and how greatest far of all blessings, and most sure and satisfying of all labours, it is, to be enabled, with childlike simplicity and love, to be ever praying for the Mercy of Christ, ever looking for His great Appearing.

May the God of peace and of all comfort, stablish, strengthen, settle us. To Him be glory, and dominion, for ever and ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OXFORD,
November 1, 1860.

St. John xvii. 20, 21.

Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word : . that they all may be one ; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us : that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me.

St. Matthew ix. 36—38.

But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith He unto His disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few ; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest.

P R A Y E R S

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Sentences.

AND Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. *St. Matt. xxviii. 18—20.*

And He said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His Name among all nations,

beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things. *St. Luke* xxiv. 46—48.

Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. Unto you first God, having raised up His Son Jesus, sent Him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities. *Acts* iii. 25, 26.

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd. *St. John* x. 16.

Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me more than these? He saith unto Him, Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him, Feed My lambs. *St. John* xxi. 15.

I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness

both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee; delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee, to open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in Me. *Acts xxvi.* 16—18.

Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. 1 *St. Peter v.* 2—4.

✓ Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the

Church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. *Acts xx. 28—31.*

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the Word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you: and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith. But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil. *2 Thess. iii. 1—3.*

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom; preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke,

exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. 2 *Tim.* iv. 1—5.

Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours. *St. John* iv. 35—38.

Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and for ever. Amen. 2 *St. Peter* iii. 17, 18.

I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. *Acts* xx. 35.

Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins. *St. James* v. 19, 20.

Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen. 1 *St. John* v. 21.

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. *Rev.* xxii. 20.

Sentences from the Book of Psalms.

Ask of Me, and I shall give Thee the heathen for Thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for Thy possession. ii. 8.

Thou hast delivered Me from the strivings of the people; and Thou hast made Me the head of the heathen: a people whom I have not known shall serve Me. As soon as they hear of Me, they shall obey Me: the strangers shall submit themselves unto Me. xviii. 43, 44.

Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. xix. 4.

All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before

Thee. For the kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the governor among the nations. xxii. 27, 28.

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. xxiv. 1.

Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O most mighty, with Thy glory and Thy majesty. And in Thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness and righteousness; and Thy right hand shall teach Thee terrible things. Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; whereby the people fall under Thee. xlv. 3—5.

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. xlvi. 10, 11.

For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness. The

princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth belong unto God: He is greatly exalted. *xlvi. 7—9.*

For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together. They saw it, and so they marvelled; they were troubled, and hasted away. *xlvi. 4, 5.*

Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in Sion: and unto Thee shall the vow be performed. O Thou that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come. *lxv. 1, 2.*

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us. That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. *lxvi. 1, 2.*

Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered: let them also that hate Him, flee before Him. *lxvii. 1.*

Because of Thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto Thee. *lxviii. 29.*

Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth;
O sing praises unto the Lord. lxviii. 31, 32.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of
Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.
And blessed be His glorious Name for ever:
and let the whole earth be filled with His
glory; Amen, and Amen. lxxii. 18, 19.

Glorious things are spoken of thee, O
city of God. I will make mention of Rahab
and Babylon to them that know me: behold
Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this
man was born there. And of Zion it shall
be said, This and that man was born in her:
and the Highest Himself shall establish her.
The Lord shall count, when He writeth up
the people, that this man was born there.
lxxxvii. 3—6.

Remember, Lord, the reproach of Thy
servants; how I do bear in My bosom the
reproach of all the mighty people; Where-
with Thine enemies have reproached, O
Lord; wherewith they have reproached the
footsteps of Thine anointed. lxxxix. 50, 51.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before Him, all the earth. Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: He shall judge the people righteously. xcvi. 9, 10.

Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship Him, all ye gods. xcvi. 7.

Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the Lord, O my soul. Praise ye the Lord. civ. 35.

Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto Thy Holy Name, and to triumph in Thy praise. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the Lord. cvi. 47, 48.

The Lord at Thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of His wrath. He shall judge among the heathen, He shall fill

the places with the dead bodies ; He shall wound the heads over many countries. cx. 5, 6.

O praise the Lord, all ye nations ; praise Him, all ye people. cxvii. 1.

I will speak of Thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed. cxix. 46.

Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together : whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord. cxxii. 3, 4.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces. For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be within thee. cxxii. 6—8.

The Lord is good to all : and His tender mercies are over all His works. All Thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord ; and Thy saints shall bless Thee. cxlv. 9, 10.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee ; and Thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou

openest Thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. cxlv. 15, 16.

Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds. Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand; to execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; to bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute upon them the judgment written: This honour have all His saints. Praise ye the Lord. cxlix. 5—9.

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord. cl. 6.

Litany.

O GOD THE FATHER, Who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth^a,

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O GOD THE SON, Who art the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world^b,

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O GOD THE HOLY GHOST, Who makest intercessions for us with groanings which cannot be uttered^c,

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O HOLY, BLESSED, and GLORIOUS TRINITY, THREE PERSONS and ONE GOD, our Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier,

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, neither take

^a Acts xvii. 26. ^b 1 John ii. 2. ^c Rom. viii. 26.

Thou vengeance of our sins ; spare us, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever,

Spare us, good Lord.

From all worldliness and deadness of heart, from all sloth and lukewarmness, from all neglect of stirring up the gift within us^d,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all pride and uncharitableness, from all want of zeal for Thy glory and man's salvation, from all boasting of that which we have received, and despising of others,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From refusing to be fellow-helpers to the truth^e and the preaching of the Cross, from forgetting to do good and to communicate^f, from being ashamed of Thy testimony^g, and from thinking lightly even of the least of Thy messengers,

Good Lord, deliver us.

^d 1 Tim. iv. 14.

^e 3 John 8.

^f Heb. xiii. 16.

^g 2 Tim. i. 8.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism,
from all envy and strife^h, from the tra-
ditions of men, and from every vain deceitⁱ,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By Thy promise to be with Thy ministers
always even unto the end of the world^j;
by Thy gracious call of Thine Apostle
St. Paul to preach among the Gentiles the
unsearchable riches of Christ^k; by Thy
raising up in every age chosen vessels of
Thy grace, to suffer for the testimony of
the truth^l;

*Evermore, we beseech Thee, O Lord, send
labourers into Thy harvest, even fellow-workers
with Thee^m.*

By Thy word made sure to Thy Zion that
Gentiles should come to her light, and
kings to the brightness of her risingⁿ;

*Scatter Thou the darkness of the earth, O
Lord, and the gross darkness of the people^o.*

^h Philip. i. 15. ⁱ Colos. ii. 8. ^j Matt. xxviii. 20.

^k Eph. iii. 8. ^l Acts ix. 15, 16. ^m Mat. ix. 38;

ⁿ 2 Cor. vi. 1. ^o Is. lx. 3. ^p Is. lx. 2.

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation,
by Thy precious Sacrifice, Oblation, and
Satisfaction for the sins of all man-
kind,

*Make us to have access all by One Spirit unto
the Father, and be our peace^p.*

By the kindness and love of Thy blessed
appearing^q,

*Visit Thy children, O Lord, who sit in dark-
ness, and give them light^r.*

By Thy prayers and supplications, by
Thy strong crying and tears^s, by Thy lifting
up upon the cross for us lost and helpless
sinners,

*Draw all men unto Thee, O Thou Healer
of souls^t.*

By Thy sanctifying of Thyself, that Thy
servants might be sanctified through the
truth^u,

Even as Thy Father sent Thee into the

^p Eph. ii. 13—18.

^q Titus iii. 4.

^r St. Luke i. 78, 79.

^s Heb. v. 7.

^t John iii. 14, 15; xii. 32.

^u John xvii. 19.

world, so do Thou send Thy ministers into the world^v.

By Thy mighty Intercession for all who should believe on Thee,

Heal the wounds of Thy people, O Lord, and make them perfect in one^v.

By the glory of Thy Resurrection, by the triumph of Thy Ascension,

Evermore, Lord, give Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, and Teachers, for the perfecting of the Saints, for the work of the Ministry, for the edifying of Thy Body the Church^z.

By the coming of the Holy Ghost, to bear witness of Thee, and to convince the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment^y,

Grant, O Lord, to Thy Servants that with all boldness they may speak Thy Word, and that signs and wonders may be done by Thy Holy Name^z.

^v John xvii. 18. ^w John xvii. 23. ^x Eph. iv. 11, 12.

^y John xv. 26; xvi. 8—11.

^z Acts iv. 29, 30.

We sinners do beseech Thee to hear us,
O Lord, for Thy Holy Catholic Church
dispersed throughout the world, that Thou
wouldest fill it with grace and truth; where
it is corrupt cleanse it, where it is in error
direct it, where it is divided heal it, and
renew it every where in its first love ^a;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

For all Kings, Princes, and Rulers, specially
Victoria our Queen, and those who
govern under her, that Thou wouldest teach
them above all things to seek Thy Glory,
and the increase of Thy Kingdom;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

For all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons,
specially those who labour in heathen lands,
that they may be blameless and harmless,
the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst
of a perverse generation, and may shine as
lights in the world ^b;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

For all those who toil in the barren

^a Rev. ii. 4.

^b Philip. ii. 15.

places of Thy Vineyard, for all who strive against the strongholds of sin, that Thou wouldest accept their prayers, that Thou wouldest bless their work, open unto them a great door and effectual, and in Thy due time rebuke the adversary^c;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That Christ may be magnified in their bodies, whether by life or by death^d, that they may fight the good fight, and keep the faith^e, and that all things which happen unto them may fall out rather unto the furtherance of the Gospel^f;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That Thou wouldest give them grace to be stedfast, and to persevere under all dangers and necessities, all infirmities and reproaches, all persecutions and distresses for Thy Name's sake, when the heart is faint, and the flesh weak^g, though their

^c 1 Cor. xvi. 9.

^d Phil. i. 20.

^e 2 Tim. iv. 7.

^f Phil. i. 12.

^g 2 Cor. xii. 10.

labour seem to be in vain, and their strength spent for nought^h;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to build up Thy little ones in their most holy faithⁱ, to strengthen the tempted, to restore those that fall, and to make manifest the peace of Thy faithful children^k;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to visit the hearts of all who know not the consolation of Thy love, and the fellowship of Thy Spirit^l, to bring again into Thy fold Thine ancient people the Jews, to accomplish the number of Thine Elect, and to hasten Thy kingdom;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us Thy peace.

^h Is. xlix. 4. ⁱ Jude 20; Matt. xviii. 10; 1 John ii. 13.

^k Psalm cxix. 165.

^l Philip. ii. 1.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the
sins of the world ;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed
be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy
will be done in earth, As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And for-
give us our trespasses, As we forgive them
that trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation ; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

O Lord, give the word.

Great shall be the company of the preachers^m.

Say Thou, Let there be lightⁿ,

*For all the earth is full of darkness and
cruel habitations^o.*

^m Ps. lxxviii. 11. ⁿ Gen. i. 3. ^o Ps. lxxiv. 20.

O God of Peace, Who didst bring again
from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great
Shepherd of the sheep, through the Blood
of the Everlasting Covenant,

*Make us perfect in every good work to do
Thy will^p.*

O Saviour of the world, Who by Thy Cross
and Precious Blood hast redeemed us,

*Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee,
O Lord.*

O Holy Spirit, O Lord and Giver of Life,
*Renew Thy work, and shew forth Thy power
and glory, even as in the days of old.*

O Ever-Blessed Trinity, Three Persons
and One God,

Make us all one fold under one Shepherd.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us,
and cause His Face to shine upon us. Selah.

*That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy
saving health among all nations^q.*

Let the people praise Thee, O God; let
all the people praise Thee.

^p Heb. xiii. 20, 21.

^q Ps. lxxvii. 1, 2.

Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him^r.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Almighty God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name; We beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy Glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

^r Ps. lxxvii. 5—7.

*An Intercession for the Purifying of the Church,
and the Conversion of the Jews, the Ma-
hometans, and of the Heathen world to the
faith of Christ.*

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
Thou that ledest Joseph like a flock ;
Thou that dwellest between the cherubims,
shine forth.

Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours,
And our enemies laugh among themselves.

Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause
Thy face to shine ;
And we shall be saved.

Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt ;
Thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.
Thou preparedst room before it,
Thou didst cause it to take deep root,
And it filled the land.

She sent out her boughs unto the sea,
And her branches unto the river.

Why hast Thou then broken down her hedges,
So that all they which pass by the way do
pluck her ?

The boar out of the wood doth waste it,
And the wild beast of the field doth devour it.

Return, we beseech Thee, O God of hosts,
Look down from heaven, and behold, and
visit this vine^a.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thou didst divide the sea by Thy strength ;
Thou brakest the heads of the dragons in
the waters^b.

Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood^c ;
Thou driedst up rivers of strength.

The day is Thine, the night also is Thine ;
Thou hast prepared the light and the sun.

^a Ps. lxxx. 1, 6—9, 11—14.

^b Ps. lxxiv. 13.

^c Ps. lxxiv. 15—23.

Thou hast set all the borders of the earth ;
Thou hast made summer and winter.

Remember this, the enemy hath reproached,
O Lord ;

The foolish people have blasphemed Thy
Name.

O deliver not the soul of Thy turtle dove
unto the multitude ;
Forget not the congregation of Thy poor
for ever.

Have respect unto the covenant,
For the dark places of the earth are full
of the habitations of cruelty.

O let not the oppressed return ashamed ;
Let the poor and needy praise Thy Name.

Arise, O God, plead Thine own cause ;
Remember how the foolish man reproacheth
Thee daily.

Forget not the voice of Thine enemies ;
The tumult of those that rise up against
Thee ascendeth continually.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Make Thy Church, O Christ, to be as a
candle set upon a candlestick^d;

As a city set upon a hill which cannot be hid^e.

Establish it in Thy faith and fear,

And make it perfect in love.

Feed the babes of Thy flock with the
sincere milk of Thy Word^f,

And bring them to the fulness of Thy stature^g.

Lord, turn the heart of Israel to Thyself;

Then shall the vail be taken away^h.

Pour on them the spirit of grace and sup-
plications,

*And let them mourn for Him whom they
have piercedⁱ.*

^d Matt. v. 15.

^e Matt. v. 14.

^f 1 Pet. ii. 2.

^g Eph. iv. 13.

^h 2 Cor. iii. 16.

ⁱ Zeoh. xii. 10.

Have mercy, O Lord, upon the believers
in the false prophet,

And open their eyes to Thy Truth.

Take from them all hardness of heart, and
contempt of Thy Word,

And reveal to them the Beauty of Thy Christ.

Also from the rising up of the sun, to the
going down of the same,

Let Thy Name be great among the Gentiles^k.

O Lord, let the dry bones hear Thy Word^l,

And cause Thou breath to enter into them^m.

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hal-
lowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth, As it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, As we for-
give them that trespass against us. And
lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us
from evil : For Thine is the kingdom, The
power, and the glory, For ever and ever.
Amen.

^k Mal. i. 11. ^l Ezek. xxxvii. 4. ^m Ezek. xxxvii. 5.

PRAYERS.

For the sending forth of Missionaries.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty,
Which Was, and Is, and Is to Come^a, Who
only doeth wondrous things^b, Oh! send
by Thy own Voice those who shall go forth
for Thy Name^c, and touch their lips^d, and
make them as Thy mouth^e, and be with
them in every danger, to save them, and
deliver them^f, we humbly beseech Thee,
O Lord.

O Lord of the harvest, send forth labourers into Thy harvest^g, and grant unto them that with all diligence and loving care, holding forth the bright lamp of

^a Rev. iv. 8.

^b Ps. lxxii. 18.

^c Is. vi. 8.

^d Is. vi. 7.

^e Jer. xv. 19.

^f Jer. xv. 20.

^g Matt. ix. 38.

Thy Truth^h, they may seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for His children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ for everⁱ. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for the same, which may be used
by the Clergy.*

O Blessed Lord, Who didst prepare Thy prophets and teachers at Antioch by solemn prayer and fasting, when Thy Spirit bid them to separate Barnabas and Saul for the work to which He called them^k; Pour down, we meekly beseech Thee, on us and on all Thy whole Church the precious dew of the self-same Spirit, that both we may continually watch and pray who are Pastors of Thy flock here, and that those who are sent forth^l from us may have grace to spend and be spent for Thee^m; to Whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

^h Ps. cxix. 105. ⁱ The Form of Ordaining Priests.

^k Acts xiii. 1—3. ^l Ibid. 4. ^m 2 Cor. xii. 15.

*For a Blessing upon the Labours of
Missionaries.*

O Thou, Who art Thyself the Builder^a and the Husbandman of Thy Church, and Who hast chosen the weak and base things of the world to confound the things which are mighty^o; Grant unto all those who labour together^p with Thee, that, accounting their own planting and watering to be nothing^q, they may confidently look unto Thee to give the increase; and also that they may have grace so to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ^r, that by them the savour of Thy knowledge may be made manifest in every place^s, and that Thy Gospel may come unto the Gentiles, not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Ghost^t. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

^a 1 Cor. iii. 9.

^o 1 Cor. i. 27.

^p 1 Cor. iii. 9.

^q 1 Cor. iii. 7.

^r Eph. iii. 8.

^s 2 Cor. ii. 14.

^t 1 Thess. i. 5.

Arise, O Lord, and give testimony to the word of Thy grace, and make it effectual to the pulling down the strongholds of sin^u, which neither might can overthrow, nor power, but only Thy Spirit, O Lord of hosts^x. *Amen.*

That the Kingdom of God may come.

O Thou, with Whom one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day^y, Who art not slack concerning Thy promise, but long-suffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance^z; Grant, we beseech Thee, that we and all Thy people gathered in from every land may be ever looking for the coming of the day of God^a; and, waiting for Thee in patient faith and in all holy conversation^b, may be found

^u 2 Cor. x. 4.

^x Ib. 9.

^x Zech. iv. 6.

^a Ib. 12.

^y 2 Peter iii. 8.

^b Ib. 11.

without spot and blameless^c in that day, through Thy help, O Blessed Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for the same, which may be used in
Family Worship.*

Gather together Thine elect, O Saviour, from the four corners of heaven; send forth Thy ministers into all the world in the spirit and power of Elias^d, and bring in the fulness of the Gentiles^e. Quicken the dead in trespasses and sins^f, enlighten the ignorant, and bring back the wandering; and as Thou hast warned us that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night^g, grant us grace to be sober, and to watch always unto prayer^h, lest that day come upon us unawaresⁱ; and evermore to live with our loins girded, as men who wait for their Lord^k.

^c 2 Peter iii. 14. ^d Luke i. 17. ^e Rom. xi. 25.

^f Eph. ii. 1. ^g 1 Thess. v. 2. ^h 1 Pet. iv. 7.

ⁱ Luke xxi. 34.

^k Luke xxii. 35, 36.

*For a spirit of Charity in behalf of Christian
Missions.*

O Lord, Who, though Thou wast rich in all the glory of Thy Father, yet for our sakes didst become poor¹, and hast promised in Thy Gospel that whatsoever is done unto the least of Thy brethren in Thy Name Thou wilt receive as done unto Thee^m; grant, we humbly beseech Thee, that our thankfulness for the mercies which Thou hast vouchsafed unto us may abound unto the riches of a hearty liberalityⁿ; and that not only to our power, but even to what seems beyond our power^o, we may be entirely willing and ready to minister to the necessities of Thy Church, and to help forward Thy kingdom over all the world; and this, not to our own praise, but in singleness of heart to Thy glory, and the honour of Thy Name, Who art God over all, blessed for ever^p.

¹ 2 Cor. viii. 9. ^m Matt. xxv. 40. ⁿ 2 Cor. viii. 2.

^o 2 Cor. viii. 3.

^p Rom. ix. 5.

*For a spirit of Charity and Helpfulness
towards Christian Missions.*

Suited for Members of a Foundation.

O Lord, Who hast warned us that Thou wilt require much of those to whom much is given^q; grant that we, whose lot Thou hast cast in so goodly a heritage, may strive the more abundantly by prayers, by almsgiving, and by every other appointed means, to extend the blessings of Thy kingdom; and as we have entered into the labours of other men^r, so to labour, that in their turn other men may enter into ours, to Thy glory and the fulfilling of Thy holy will, Who hast given to each one of us his charge to occupy till Thou comest^s.

^q Luke xii. 48. ^r John iv. 38. ^s Luke xix. 13.

A Prayer for Advent.

O Blessed Lord and God, Who hast never left Thyself without witnesses of Thy Goodness and Power, we beseech Thee to take to Thee Thy great strength[†], and come among us; and as Thou didst prepare Moses in the palace, and Samuel in the temple, and Elijah in the wilderness, and Amos among his flocks, as Thou didst send Isaiah, and ordain Jeremiah before he came forth from the womb, so be pleased now and evermore to choose the vessels of Thy grace, to bear Thy Name before nations and kings, and the children of Israel[‡]; sanctify them, we pray Thee, with the Holy Ghost, teach them to endure hardness[‡], give them perfect mastery over the flesh[‡], a mortified spirit, and a ready will to do Thy Will; make them lowly as Thy Baptist, watchful as Peter[‡], fervent as Paul, and loving always,

[†] Rev. xi. 17.

[‡] Acts ix. 15.

[‡] 2 Tim. ii. 3.

[‡] 1 Cor. ix. 27.

[‡] See 1 Pet. i. 13; iv. 7; v. 8.

and waiting always as Thy beloved John ;
 gird them with truth^a, make their hearts
 burn with Thy Word^b, give them faith for
 a shield^c, and make their feet beauteous
 with the preparation of the Gospel of peace^d;
 that watching for Thee and gathering for
 Thee till Thou return again, when Thou
 comest and knockest they may open to
 Thee immediately^e, and with the crown of
 their rejoicing^f enter into the joy of their
 Lord^g. *Amen. Amen.*

A Prayer for Epiphany.

O Lord, the Hope of all the ends of the
 earth^h, at Whose first appearing wise men
 came from the Eastⁱ, and from the West
 Greeks, desiring to see Thee^k; Take away,
 we humbly beseech Thee, the vail that is

^a Eph. vi. 14.

^c Eph. vi. 16.

^e Luke xii. 36.

^g Matt. xxv. 23.

ⁱ Matt. ii. 1.

^b Luke xxiv. 32.

^d Eph. vi. 15; Is. lii. 7.

^f 1 Thess. ii. 19.

^h Ps. lxxv. 5.

^k John xii. 20, 21.

spread over all nations¹, and shew the Gentiles Thy light, and their kings the brightness of Thy rising^m; let them see Thee in Thy Beauty, and visit Thy Templeⁿ; let them be satisfied with the plenteousness of Thy House, and drink of Thy Pleasures^o; that in Thee they may have the Well of Life^p, and in Thy Light walk in light^q, Who art the Bright and Morning Star^r, God blessed for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Whitsuntide.

O Lord and Saviour, Who on the day of Pentecost didst send Thy Spirit as a mighty wind from heaven, and there appeared cloven tongues as of fire lighting upon Thy Saints^s; Be pleased of Thy Mercy to pour out more and more the Unction of Thy

¹ Is. xxv. 7.

^m Is. lx. 1—3.

ⁿ Ps. xxvii. 4; Is. xxxiii. 17. ^o Ps. xxxvi. 8.

^p Ibid. 9. ^q Ps. xxxvi. 9; 1 John i. 7.

^r Rev. xxii. 16.

^s Acts ii. 1—3.

Holy One upon Thy chosen people^t, and specially upon the Ministers of Thy Word and Sacraments in heathen lands. Give them, we beseech Thee, the spirit of might and love, and of a sound mind^u; make Thy Word within them as a fire^x, and the sound of Thy Salvation to go forth from them unto all the world^y. Strengthen them with Thy arm, enlighten them with Thy Wisdom, and make them gracious with Thy love. Open unto them a door of utterance, that they may declare the mystery of Christ with all boldness of speech^z; and so dwell in them richly by the Holy Ghost^a, that with great power they may give witness of Thy Resurrection^b, Who, with the Father and the same Spirit, art one God, now, henceforth, and for ever. *Amen.*

^t 1 John ii. 20.

^u 2 Tim. i. 7.

^x Jerem. xx. 9.

^y Rom. x. 18; 1 Thess. i. 8.

^z Coloss. iv. 3, 4.

^a Coloss. iii. 16; Eph. iii. 17.

^b Acts iv. 33.

*A Prayer that Christians in heathen lands
may walk worthy of their calling.*

O Lord Jesu Christ, Who hast commanded us by Thy Apostles to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called^c, and as we have each received Thy gift, so to minister the same one to another^d; Grant to all who are baptized into Thy Holy Name, and specially to those who sojourn in heathen lands, that they may shew forth Thy praises, Who hast called them out of darkness into marvellous light^e. Preserve them, we beseech Thee, from the sin of offending Thy little ones who believe in Thee^f, and from causing Thy Word to be blasphemed among the Gentiles^g. Make them as the salt of the earth, and as a light in the world^h; that so, beholding their good works, and won by their holy life, multi-

^c Eph. iv. 1. ^d 1 Pet. iv. 10. ^e 1 Pet. ii. 9.

^f Matt. xviii. 6.

^g Rom. ii. 24; Tit. ii. 5.

^h Matt. v. 13, 14.

tudes may be turned to Thy Truth, to glorify Thee in the day of visitation¹, Who art our Saviour and our God, blessed for ever. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for the Conversion of the Jews
to the Faith of Christ.*

O God, Who by Thy holy apostle St. Paul has taught us that Thy gifts and calling are without repentance, and that Thy people Israel as concerning the Gospel are enemies for our sakes ; but as touching the election are beloved for the fathers' sakes^k: We beseech Thee to look upon them with the eye of mercy, that they may continue no more in unbelief. Take away from them all proud reasonings, and scornful doubts, and trust in their own righteousness. Open their understanding that they may understand the Scriptures^l, that they may turn with lowly and contrite

¹ 1 Pet. ii. 12 ; iii. 1.

^k Rom. xi. 28, 29.

^l Luke xxiv. 45.

hearts to Him Whom they have pierced^m,
 and say to Him with adoring love, My
 Lord and my Godⁿ. Let the precious
 dews of Thy grace, which now rest upon
 all the earth, once again fall upon the fleece
 which is dry^o. Arise, and have mercy upon
 Zion, for it is time that Thou have mercy
 upon her; yea, the time is come^p. And
 since Thou hast warned us that blindness
 is happened to Israel in part, until the ful-
 ness of the Gentiles be come in^q, hasten,
 we beseech Thee, the coming in of that
 fulness. And grant unto all the Churches
 of the Gentiles that, remembering how by
 Thy mercy only they were grafted, contrary
 to nature, into the good olive-tree^r, they may
 not be high-minded, but fear^s, and may
 take heed to walk worthy of the vocation
 wherewith they are called^t; through Jesus
 Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

^m Zech. xii. 10. ⁿ John xx. 28. ^o Judges vi. 36—40.

^p Ps. cii. 13. ^q Rom. xi. 25. ^r Rom. xi. 24.

^s Rom. xi. 20. ^t Eph. iv. 1.

*A Prayer for the Conversion of Mohammedans
to the Faith of Christ.*

O God and Father of us all, Who knowest the hardness of our hearts, and who castest down the reasonings of the proud, and bringest every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ^u; Be pleased to visit with Thy subduing grace the followers of the false prophet throughout the world; take away from them the stony heart and the rebellious will, and give them a heart of flesh, and put a new spirit within them^x; shew them, merciful God, for Thou only canst give them light^y, the glory of Thy holy Name, and the excellency of Thy Christ; humble them in willing love at the foot of the Cross, and draw them to Thee^z by the meekness and gentleness of the Lord Jesus^a, that they may find redemption through His blood,

^u 2 Cor. x. 5.

^x Ezek. xxxvi. 26.

^y Ps. xxvii. 1; xxxvi. 9; xliii. 3.

^z John vi. 44.

^a 2 Cor. x. 1.

even the forgiveness of sins^b. And this we pray for His sake, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost is One God, Blessed for ever^c.
Amen.

Another for the same.

O God, Who keepest covenant and mercy with Thy servants that walk before Thee with all their heart^d, and Who didst bless Ishmael, and make of him a great nation, because he was the seed of Thy faithful servant Abraham^e; We implore Thy mercy on Ishmael's seed, and on all the followers of the false prophet. Bring them by the power of Thy grace into the bond of the covenant^f, which Thou didst establish with Isaac^g. From all pride and prejudice, from self-confidence and contempt of others, and from blindness and hardness of heart, Good Lord, deliver them. And to Thy Churches which

^b Eph. i. 7.

^c Rom. ix. 5.

^d 1 Kings viii. 23.

^e Gen. xvii. 18—22; xxi. 13.

^f Ezek. xx. 37.

^g Gen. xvii. 21.

sojourn in their lands vouchsafe a special wisdom and grace, that they may discern and cast away all corruptions of faith and manners, which provoke Thy wrath and righteous judgments. Make their Bishops and Clergy burning and shining lights^h; burning with love and zeal for Christ, and shining with the light of a holy example before men; and grant that they may keep that which is committed to their trust in a pure conscienceⁱ, and hold forth the Word of Life in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation^k; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

^h John v. 35.

ⁱ 1 Tim. iii. 9.

ⁱ 1 Tim. vi. 20; 2 Tim. 1. 13;

^k Phil. ii. 15, 16.

A Prayer, suggested by a Letter from the Rev. T. G. Ragland, B.D. in 1854, describing his own wants and wishes as a Missionary; those especially in respect of which he most desired the Prayers of his brethren at home.

O God, bless Thy servants who have left their native land to make known the everlasting Gospel to the heathen.

Grant that they may speak the languages of the countries, in which they sojourn, with freedom and power, so that even the ignorant and unlearned may hear and understand and be comforted by the Word of Life out of their lips¹. Give them boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach Thy Truth^m, without yielding to fear or a spirit of weariness. May the love of Christ constrain them to devote themselves to Thy service, and to labour simply for Christ's sake, and with a single eye to Thy Glory. And, if it please

¹ 1 Cor. xiv. 31.

^m Acts iv. 29.

Thee, grant that they may live long, they, and their companions in labour, and fellow-soldiersⁿ, in godly union and concord, to do Thy work, and to fulfil Thy will with patience. Give them grace to shine with a convincing light in the sight of all men. Enable them to turn many to righteousness^o, and to build up believers in their most holy faith^p. Hear and answer their prayers; fill them with Thy Holy Spirit; suffer not the enemy to gain any advantage over them^q; but uphold and strengthen them to the end, that they may finish their course with joy, and the ministry which they have received of the Lord Jesus^r. Grant this, O Lord, and much more than we can either ask or think, through Jesus Christ, the King of Saints and Lord of Glory^s. *Amen.*

ⁿ Phil. ii. 25. ^o Dan. xii. 3. ^p Jude 20.

^q 2 Cor. ii. 11. ^r Acts xx. 24.

^s Rev. xv. 3; 1 Cor. ii. 8.

*A Thanksgiving upon the Tidings of the
Conversion and Baptism of any among the
Heathen.*

O Almighty God, Whose tender mercies are over all Thy works, and in Whose presence there is joy over one sinner that repenteth^a; We give Thee hearty thanks that it hath pleased Thee to deliver our brethren in (*here name the country*) from the bondage of Satan, and from an evil heart of unbelief^b; beseeching Thee, as Thou hast begun a good work in them, to perform it until the day of Jesus Christ^c; and to give them Thy special grace and help to walk worthy of the vocation wherewith they are called^d, that they may be Thine in that day when Thou makest up Thy jewels^e, and be received into eternal bliss and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

^a Luke xv. 10.

^b Heb. iii. 12.

^c Phil. i. 6.

^d Eph. iv. 1.

^e Malachi iii. 17.

A Confession of Praise and Thanksgiving.

Out of Holy Scripture.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty,
Which Was, and Is, and Is to come.

Blessed be the God and Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ,

Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ; in Whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace; wherein He hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; having made known unto us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure, which He hath purposed in Himself; that in the dispensation of the fulness of times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth, even in Him^a.

^a Eph. i. 3, 7—10.

Blessed be our Lord Jesus Christ,
 Who hath abolished death, and hath
 brought life and immortality to light through
 the Gospel^b.

Blessed be Thou, Lord God of Israel, our
 Father,
 For ever and ever.
 Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power,
 And the glory, and the victory, and the majesty;
 For all that is in the heaven and in the earth
 Is Thine.

Thine is the kingdom, O Lord,
 And Thou art exalted as Head above all^c.

Thou, Father, didst so love the world,
 That Thou gavest Thy only-begotten Son,
 That whosoever believeth in Him
 Should not perish,
 But have everlasting life^d.
 All Glory, Praise, and Thanksgiving
 Be unto Thee.

^b 2 Tim. i. 10. ^c 1 Chron. xxix. 10, 11. ^d John iii. 16.

Thou, ever Blessed Jesus, Son of the Highest,
 Hast redeemed us unto God by Thy blood
 Out of every kindred, and tongue, and
 people, and nation^e;
 All Glory and Praise and Thanksgiving
 Be unto Thee.

Thou, our Glorious Lord and King,
 Ascending up on high,
 Didst lead captivity captive,
 Thou didst give gifts to men^f;
 All Glory and Praise and Thanksgiving
 Be unto Thee.

Thou didst give Thy Holy Spirit,
 To convince the world,
 To testify of Thee,
 To guide us into all truth,
 To be the earnest of our inheritance^g,
 To abide with us for ever^h;
 All Glory be to Thee.

^e Rev. v. 9.

^g Eph. i. 14.

^f Eph. iv. 8.

^h John xiv. xv. xvi.

Blessed be Thy Name,
 Who didst bear witness to Thy great salvation,
 With signs, and wonders, and divers miracles,
 And gifts of the Holy Ghostⁱ.

For Thy chosen Apostles,
 And for him who, by Thy grace,
 Laboured more abundantly than all ;
 For the holy stedfastness of Thy Church
 In their doctrine and fellowship, in breaking
 of bread,
 And in prayers ;
 For the love and peace of Thy Saints,
 For the boldness of Thy confessors,
 For the patience of Thy prisoners,
 For Thy martyrs' precious deaths,
 For the harvest of Pentecost,
 For the bringing in of the Gentiles,
 For the rest and prosperity of Thy Church,
 Not by might or by power,
 But by Thy Spirit^k,

ⁱ Heb. ii. 3, 4.

^k Zech. vi. 6.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive
 power,
 And riches, and wisdom, and strength,
 And honour, and glory, and blessing¹.

Blessed be Thy Glorious Name,
 That Thy Word hath sounded forth,
 Not only in Jerusalem, and Antioch,
 In Athens, and in Rome ;
 But in every place the faith of Christ
 Is spread abroad^m.

For Thy good soldiers in every age,
 Striving lawfully, enduring unto the end,
 For the wisdom of Doctors,
 The zeal of Evangelists,
 The eloquence of Prophets,
 The love of Pastors,
 For the praises of babes, the ministry of
 women,
 The purity of the young, the fervour of
 the aged,
 For all the signs of Thy Presence,

¹ Rev. v. 12.

^m 1 Thess. i. 8.

All the marks of Thy Cross^a,
 All Glory be to Thee.

For the light of Thy everlasting Gospel,
 Sent to every nation, and kindred, and
 tongue, and people^o,
 Shining so long amongst ourselves,
 For Thy Church, the pillar and ground of
 the Truth,
 Against which the gates of Hell have not
 prevailed^p,
 For Thy gracious Word of promise,
 That they that be wise shall shine
 As the brightness of the firmament,
 And they that turn many to righteousness^q
 As the stars for ever and ever^q,
 All Praise, all Glory be
 Unto Thee.

The Lord is gracious and merciful,
 Long suffering, and of great goodness.

^a Gal. vi. 17.

^o Rev. xiv. 6.

^p Matt. xvi. 18.

^q Dan. xii. 3.

The Lord is loving unto every man,
 And His mercy is over all His works.
 All Thy works praise Thee, O Lord,
 And Thy Saints give thanks unto Thee.
 They shew the glory of Thy kingdom,
 And talk of Thy power,
 That Thy power, Thy glory, and mightiness
 of Thy kingdom,
 Might be known unto men.
 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
 And Thy dominion endureth throughout all
 ages^r.

Great and marvellous are Thy works,
 Lord God Almighty;
 Just and true are Thy ways,
 Thou King of Saints.
 Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and glorify
 Thy Name?

For Thou only art Holy;
 For all nations shall come and worship
 before Thee;

For Thy judgments are made manifest^s.

^r Ps cxlv. 8—13.

^s Rev. xv. 3, 4.

After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude,
 Which no man could number,
 Of all nations, and kindreds, and people,
 and tongues,
 Stood before the throne, and before the Lamb,
 Clothed with white robes,
 And palms in their hands ;
 And cried with a loud voice, saying,
 Salvation to our God, Which sitteth upon
 the throne,
 And unto the Lamb^t.
 Hallelujah !
 For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth^u.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
 and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and
 ever shall be, world without end.

Amen. Amen.

^t Rev. vii. 9, 10.

^u Rev. xix. 6.

APPENDIX.

A General Intercession.

O Thou, Who art the hope of all the ends
of the earth,

And of those who are far off upon the sea,
Remember Thy whole creation for good ;
Visit the world in Thy Compassion.

O Thou Preserver of men,
O Lord, Who lovest Thy people,
Remember all our race ;
Thou, Who hast shut up all in unbelief,
On all have pity, O Lord.

O Thou, Who didst die, and rise again,
To be Lord both of the dead and the living,
Whether we live, or whether we die,
Thou art the Lord.

O Helper of the helpless,
O Refuge for the oppressed,
O Refuge in times of trouble,
Remember all who are in necessity,
All who need Thy succour.

O God of grace and truth,
 Establish all who stand
 In grace and truth ;
 Restore all who are sick
 With heresies and sins.

O wholesome defence of Thine Anointed,
 Remember Thy congregation,
 Which Thou hast purchased and redeemed
 of old.

O may the multitude of those that believe
 Be of one heart and of one soul.

O Thou, that walkest in the midst of the
 golden candlesticks,
 Remove not our candlestick
 Out of its place.

Set in order the things that are wanting,
 Strengthen the things which remain,
 Which Thou art ready to cast away,
 Which are ready to die.

O Lord of the harvest,
 Send forth labourers made sufficient by Thee

Into Thy harvest.
O Thou, Who art the Portion of those who
wait in Thy Temple,
Grant to our Clergy
Rightly to divide the word of Truth,
Rightly to walk in it ;
Grant to Thy dear people in Christ
To obey and submit to them.

O King of nations,
Unto the ends of the earth,
Strengthen all the kingdoms and states
of the whole world,
As being Thy Ordinance, though a creation
of man.
Scatter the people
That delight in war ;
Make wars to cease
Unto the end of the earth.

O Thou, upon whom the Islands wait,
In whose Arm they trust,
Lord, save this Island,

And all the country in which we sojourn,
From all affliction, and peril, and need.

O Lord of lords, and King of kings,
Remember all rulers,
To whom Thou hast given rule in the earth;
And especially remember
Our Queen, whose heart is in Thy hand*,
And work with her more and more,
And prosper her way in all things.
Speak good things to her heart,
For Thy Church
And for all Thy people.
Grant to her assured peace,
That in her peace
We may lead a quiet and peaceable life
In all godliness and honesty.

Let us lift up our hearts,
Lift them up to the Lord ;
Let us give thanks unto our Lord God ;
It is meet and right so to do.

* *Regis nostri Deo cari*, in original. The passage in Prov. xxi. 1, has been substituted for this.

Thou art the Creator, and the Preserver,
 The Beginner and Finisher of all,
 Our Lord, and our Father,
 Our King, and our God,
 Fountain of Life and Immortality,
 Treasure of eternal good,
 Whom the heavens praise,
 And the heavens of heavens.
 Angels, Dominions, Principalities, and
 Powers,
 Ever crying one to another,
 And we with them, under their feet,
 All weak and unworthy sinners,
 Holy, Holy, Holy,
 Lord God of Hosts,
 Heaven and earth is full of Thy glory;
 Blessed be the glory of the Lord
 From His place. Amen^b.

^b Bp. Andrews, *Preces Privatsæ*, 51—57. 67—69.
 Ed. Oxf. 1853.

*For a Bishop at his Consecration, or in behalf
of his Work and Mission.*

O God, the Shepherd and Ruler of all
Thy faithful people, look graciously upon
Thy servant whom Thou hast
chosen to be overseer over Thy Church in
. . . . Grant him, we most humbly be-
seech Thee, to be an example of the believers
in word and conversation, that, together
with the flock which Thou hast given to
him, he may attain to everlasting life, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ARCHBISHOP LAUD.

O God, and merciful Father, may Thy
Grace so work in Thy servant
now called to the office of a Bishop in Thy
Church, that he may be humble in refusing
every high and awful charge, yet, if it be
Thy will, obedient in undertaking it; make

him faithful in keeping the trust committed to him, and diligent in fulfilling it; make him watchful in rule, zealous in discipline, fervent in love, patient in consolation, and wise in judgment; that he may ever further Thy counsels for Thy people, and, if Thou art displeased with them, intercede for their pardon, in the faith and through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

ARCHBISHOP LAUD^c.

O Lord, as the rain cometh down from heaven, and returns not thither, but waters the earth, and makes it bud and bring forth, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to him that eateth; so let Thy Word be that goeth out of the mouth of Thy servant let it not return to him void, but accomplish that which Thou wilt, and prosper in the thing whereto Thou hast sent it, that the people committed to his charge may go out with joy, and be led forth

^c From St. Augustine, Lib. 22. contra Faust. c. 69.

in peace to Thy freshest waters of comfort,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ARCHBISHOP LAUD.

O Son of God, Thou which takest away
the sins of the world, have mercy upon
Thy servant . . . in this heavy charge.
Amen.

ARCHBISHOP LAUD^d.

*That the Church and Kingdom of England may
be faithful to its Mission in the world.*

Lord, bless this kingdom, that religion
and virtue may season all sorts of men,
that there may be peace within the gates,
and plenty within the palaces of it. In
peace, we beseech Thee, so preserve it that
it corrupt not, in war so defend it that it
suffer not, in plenty so order it that it riot
not, in want so purify and moderate it that
it may patiently and peaceably seek Thee,
the only full supply both of men and states,

^d Works, vol. iii. 65, 66, Oxford, 1853. The
prayers are given as used by the Archbishop himself,
the pronouns only are altered.

that so it may continue a place and a people to do Thee service to the end of time, through Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.* ARCHBISHOP LAUD.

O Lord, according to all Thy righteousness, we beseech Thee let Thine anger be turned away from this country and Thy people, and cause Thy face to shine upon whatsoever is desolate therein, for Jesus Christ, His sake. *Amen*°. ARCHBISHOP LAUD.

A Prayer to promote Christ's Kingdom, and for Grace to serve Him with fear and reverence.

O Blessed Jesu, into Whose hands are committed all dominion and power in the kingdoms and empires of the world, out of whose mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it Thou mightest smite the nations, and rule them with a rod of iron ; on Whose Vesture and on Whose Thigh a Name is

° Works, vol. iii. 69.

written, King of kings and Lord of lords; We adore Thee in Thy infinite excellence, and most glorious exaltation, beseeching Thee to reveal Thy Name and the glory of Thy kingdom to the heathen which know Thee not, and to the uttermost parts of the earth, which are given Thee for Thy possession and inheritance. And to us give Thy grace to serve Thee in fear, and plant the reverence of Thy Law and of Thy Name in our hearts; lest Thy wrath be kindled against us, and Thou break us in pieces like vessels of dishonour. Have mercy on us, O King of kings, for we have put our trust in Thee. Thou art our Saviour and Redeemer, Jesu. *Amen.*

BISHOP JEREMY TAYLOR¹.

A Prayer for the Church; for her Enemies; for Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Heretics.

O God, give unto our enemies grace and pardon, charity to us, and love to Thee; take

¹ Works, ed. Heber, xv. 112.

away all anger from them, and all mistakes from us, all misinterpretations and jealousies; bring all sinners to repentance and holiness, and to all Thy saints and servants give an increasing love and a persevering duty; bring all Turks, Jews, and Infidels to the knowledge and confession of the Lord Jesus, and a participation of all the promises of the Gospel, all the benefits of His Passion; to all heretics give humility and sincerity^s, repentance of their errors, and grace and power to make amends to the Church and truth, and a public acknowledgment of a holy faith, to the glory of the Lord Jesus. *Amen.* BISHOP JEREMY TAYLOR^h.

A Prayer for the Extension of the Church.

Almighty and everlasting God, Who hast revealed Thy glory to Jews and Gentiles in our Lord Jesus Christ, extend Thy hand

^s This word is substituted for Bishop Taylor's; 'ingenuity.'

^h Works, xv. p. 63.

of mercy over all the world, that Thy Church may spread like a flourishing vine, and enlarge her borders to the uttermost parts of the earth; that, all nations partaking of the sweet refreshings of Thy Gospel, Thy Name may be glorified, the honour of our Lord Jesus advanced, His prophecies fulfilled, and His coming hastened¹. And this we pray in His mediation, and for His merits, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth for ever.

*A Supplication on behalf of the Heathen
World.*

St. Matt. ix. 36—38^k.

How many, O Jesus, of Thy sheep have no shepherd! none to shew them their danger! none to keep them out of danger!

¹ Bp. Taylor's Works, xv. 224. only the first half of Bp. Taylor's prayer is given here, and the last sentence is added.

^k Vide p. 13.

none to lead them where they may find pasture!

May Thine infinite wisdom and goodness, O Lord, reveal to us the means by which Thy Gospel may be preached unto them; and prepare their hearts to receive the truth, that they may be delivered from the bondage of corruption, unto the glorious liberty of the children of God! Send them Pastors after Thine own heart; full of knowledge, compassion, and zeal; that pitying their sad condition, they may instruct them in the ways of truth, and of eternal life. Increase the number and the graces of Thy Messengers and Ministers; and touch the hearts of all Christians with a true compassion, like Thine, O Lord, for all such as are strangers to Thee, and the merits of Thy death, by which they have been redeemed, that they may cheerfully contribute to a work so acceptable to Thy Divine Majesty.

And may Thy Holy Spirit, by the preach-

ing of the Gospel, add daily to the Church such as shall be saved, through Thy merits and mediation, O Lord and Lover of souls.
Amen. BISHOP WILSON¹.

A Prayer that God's Kingdom may come.

May the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of the Lord and of His Christ, that He may reign for ever and ever^m.

Heavenly Father, O that the saving laws of Thy Kingdom may be received in all the world.

Take possession of my heart, O King of Heaven, and subdue whatever is amiss in me.

Make me instrumental in promoting the interests of Thy Kingdom, that truth and righteousness may be established in this place.

Make all the Ministers of Thy Kingdom zealous in advancing Thy honour, and the welfare of all Thy subjects.

¹ Works, Oxford, 1851, iv. 293. ^m Rev. xi. 15.

Do Thou, O King of Saints, establish Thy Kingdom of grace in all our hearts, that we may be Thy subjects out of choice, and ever yield Thee willing obedience.

Rebuke all the enemies of Thy Kingdom, and all such as would not have Thee to reign over them.

May the heathen fear Thy Name, O God, and all the kings of the earth Thy Majesty.

May all that own Thee for their King become Thy faithful subjects.

Bless the pious endeavours of all such as strive to propagate the Gospel of Christ; and may its saving truths be received in all the world.

Deliver the world, O Jesus, in Thy good time, from the tyranny of Satan, that all nations may obey and glorify Thy Holy Name.

O that Satan may never set up his kingdom in this place.

O God, recover Thy whole right and dominion over my soul, and rule in me by Thy holy, all-powerful Spirit.

Set up, O God, Thy throne in our hearts,
and reign for ever and ever. *Amen.*

BISHOP WILSON^a.

A Prayer for the Church and the World.

‘O Father in heaven!’ May the Gospel
be received and have its saving effects in all
the world; that, being brought from the
power of Satan unto God, we may all be-
come one fold under one Shepherd and
King, the Lord Jesus; ‘and this we pray for
His sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.’
Amen.

BISHOP WILSON^c.

Enlarge Thy kingdom, O God, and de-
liver the world from the dominion and
tyranny of Satan. Hasten the time, which
Thy Spirit has foretold, when all nations
whom Thou hast made shall worship Thee,

^a *Sacra Privata*, Works, v. 122. Oxf. ed. 1860.

^c Works, v. 309. the clauses marked ‘ ’ are added.

and glorify Thy Name. Bless the good endeavours of those who strive to propagate the truth, and prepare the hearts of all men to receive it. To the honour of Thy holy Name. *Amen.* BISHOP WILSON^P.

O God, Almighty and Merciful, let Thy fatherly kindness be upon all that Thou hast made.

Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Heretics; and grant that none may deprive themselves of that happiness, which Jesus Christ has purchased by His death. Bless the pious endeavours of all those who strive to propagate the Gospel of Christ, and may its saving truths be received in all the world.

Preserve Thy Church in the midst of the dangers that surround it; purge it from all corruptions, heal its divisions, that all

Christian people may unite and love as becomes the disciples of Jesus Christ.

Hear us, O Father, we beseech Thee, for Thy dear Son's sake. *Amen*^q.

BISHOP WILSON^r.

^q The last sentence is added.

^r *Sacra Privata*, Works, 227, 228.



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